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House Resolution 439

By: Representatives Wilensky of the 79<sup>th</sup>, Wilson of the 80<sup>th</sup>, Hopson of the 153<sup>rd</sup>, Davis of the 87<sup>th</sup>, Drenner of the 85<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Sergeant Michael Cheek; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Sergeant Michael Cheek has served with honor and distinction as an officer of
- 3 the Dunwoody Police Department since June 20, 2011; and
- 4 WHEREAS, on a December evening in 2018, Sergeant Cheek responded to a medical call
- 5 in Dunwoody. Sergeant Cheek and several other officers were dispatched to a medical call
- 6 at a residence in Dunwoody; and
- 7 WHEREAS, upon arrival, the officers found a male on the ground, not breathing and
- 8 unconscious. A quick assessment of the patient determined he needed CPR. One officer
- 9 immediately began chest compressions while another officer applied an AED. The AED
- 10 advised "No Shock," so the two officers began taking turns with chest compressions, during
- which time the patient's friend notified the officers that he had just "shot up heroin." Upon
- 12 this discovery, an injection of NARCAN was administered by Sergeant Cheek; and
- 13 WHEREAS, moments later, DeKalb Fire and EMS arrived on scene and took over care of
- 14 the patient. Officers continued to assist medical personnel with CPR after their arrival. The
- 15 patient was able to be revived and left for St. Joseph's Hospital alert, conscious, and
- 16 breathing; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Sergeant Cheek's story has inspired the entire community of Dunwoody; and
- 18 WHEREAS, his inspiring commitment to the welfare of others is an outstanding example of
- 19 the positive effect law enforcement professionals have on the lives and well-being of others;
- 20 and

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21 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that gratitude is expressed for the unique and

- 22 often unheralded contributions of local law enforcement professionals on behalf of the
- 23 citizens of this state.
- 24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 25 the members of this body commend the care, courage, sympathy, and selfless dedication
- 26 exhibited by Sergeant Michael Cheek and express their utmost appreciation for having so
- 27 purely and truly defined for others the meaning of public servant.
- 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 29 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
- 30 Sergeant Michael Cheek.